

# LAC LA BELLE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

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Commissioners Meeting  
**THURSDAY, November 19, 2009 – 7 P.M.**  
Oconomowoc City Hall

*“The LLBMD seeks to promote environmentally conscious and fiscally responsible decisions by providing education, enhancing a healthy lake ecosystem and ensuring safe use of Lac LaBelle for today and tomorrow.”*

## Minutes

### 1. Call to Order

Chairperson P. Carpenter called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

### 2. Roll Call of Commissioners

#### Present

Paul Carpenter

David Falstad

Sally Keefe (entered 8:23 p.m.)

Julie Larsen

Mike Fitzsimmons

Richard Paul (entered 7:05 p.m.)

#### Absent

Jan Husak

#### Also Present

Lou Morgan

### 3. Comments from the Floor

Since the last meeting P. Carpenter met and shared ideas with representatives from the lake districts of Rice Lake and Lake Mills. Their discussion took place on ways to engage residents and included suggestions such as creating a lake calendar with input from the residents to include history and pictures; a newsletter with a request for donations and asking lake residents where they would like to see the donations spent; an annual pancake breakfast for residents with a guest speaker; land acquisition; and a glacier heritage program through the DNR that links lakes and county parks.

4. Correspondence

Emails

- 10/17/09 from J. Larsen regarding Community Center meeting
- 11/17/09 from J. Larsen regarding her resignation from the LLBMD Board
- 11/18/09 from L. Conley regarding Land Acquisitions Programs to Protect Lakes

P. Carpenter thanked J. Larsen for the time she has given to the Board. He discussed the town representative position on this board.

Mail

- Membership invitation from Lisa Conley, President of Rock River Coalition on behalf of the Rock River Coalition

5. Approval of Minutes – October 15, 2009

**D. Falstad motioned to approve the minutes from the October 15, 2009 meeting as presented. M. Fitzsimmons seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

6. Treasurer's Report

M. Fitzsimmons reviewed the Treasurer's Report. The State Department of Revenue Levy Report has been completed and the Annual Workers' Compensation Audit Statement has been completed and submitted. A refund on the Worker's Compensation is anticipated by January 2010. A survey of the current money market rates from local banks and the LGIP was attached to the Treasurer's Report. The Town Bank-Hartland/Delafield had the highest interest rate presently at 1.50%. J. Larsen recommended keeping the LGIP account open with the minimum amount. M. Fitzsimmons suggested reviewing the rates at various banking institutions on a quarterly basis to ensure the best interest rates possible. S. Keefe will provide the LLBMD bylaws to D. Falstad in order to verify any requirements as to where funds must be kept, i.e. LGIP.

**R. Paul motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. D. Falstad seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

7. Payment Authorizations

**P. Carpenter motioned to pay the Rock River Coalition \$50 for membership. M. Fitzsimmons seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

**R. Paul motioned to pay the usual group membership fee for WALs for the year 2010. D. Falstad seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

**R. Paul motioned to authorize payment of usual and customary bills in the event that a monthly meeting is not held. M. Fitzsimmons seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

8. Website Updates

It was reported that the Directory was posted to the website. Although photos from the shoreline restoration were submitted, they have been posted. This is being investigated with the website manager. Discussion took place regarding ways to improve the website including maps/photos of the lake; an improved logo; a map showing areas that are in conservancy, where the watershed is located, and lands that would be desirable. Having a link to various lake maps would be useful. P. Carpenter will investigate web design with the high school. The Lake Management Plan should be listed individually on the home page – F. Wilke will be asked to make this its own page from the home page.

9. Discuss Criteria to be used to Evaluate Properties that are or May Become Available for Acquisition

P. Carpenter suggested that this topic be handled by a sub-committee. M. Fitzsimmons will chair this sub-committee. Other sub-committee participants will be M. Caldwell, former chair of LLBMD; J. Larsen; and L. Morgan. This sub-committee will develop criteria to be used by LLBMD to prioritize properties that may become available for acquisition, identify various funding (grant) options, and develop a working relationship with the Foundation. J. Larsen stated that the DNR may assist in looking at possible properties. She discussed possible ways to rate the properties and did not think that a point system would be the best method. D. Falstad suggested contacting an engineering firm to see if they have a checklist rather than reinventing the wheel. The sub-committee could develop a process and link with the Foundation to develop a process to be used in the acquisition process.

10. Relocation of the Community Center and Possible Re-modification of the Boat Launch

J. Larsen stated that the Common Council approved moving of the Community Center across the street from its present location and the purchase of the properties east of the present City Beach. The issue of moving the boat launch west has been dropped, but there is a potential of moving the boat launch. A presentation will take place at a January Common Council meeting on the boat launch, separation of the boat launch from the beach, and parking issues. J. Larsen will advise Accurate Business Communications of the meeting date so it can be distributed to the LLBMD board.

### Update on Slow-No-Wake at Times of High Water Ordinance

Due to the absence of J. Husak, no update was available from the Town of Oconomowoc. J. Larsen reported that the Village never passed the Ordinance. It was suggested that the Village be contacted on this matter.

### 11. Set Next Meeting Date

The next Lac LaBelle Management District meeting will be held on January 21, 2010 at the City of Oconomowoc City Hall at 7 p.m.

### 12. Agenda for Next Meeting

- Appointment of Commissioner to Fulfill Vacancy Created by Resignation of J. Larsen
- Discuss & Act on Transfer of Funds to a Banking Institution in order to earn Higher Interest
- Discuss Website Development
- Discuss new logo (P. Carpenter will contact high school individuals to attend the next meeting)
- Discuss & Act on Newcomer Letter (S. Keefe & J. Larsen)
- Discuss Criteria to be used to Evaluate Properties that are or May Become Available for Acquisition (Sub-Committee Report)
- Discuss Work Plan for 2010 (All Commissioners)

### 13. Adjournment

**R. Paul motioned to adjourn from the meeting. M. Fitzsimmons seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.**

Minutes prepared by:

Accurate Business Communications, Inc.